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HOUSE BILL 823

By Gilmore

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, Part 6 and Title 13, Chapter 23, relative to housing.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 13, Chapter 23, Part 1, is amended by adding the following language as a new section:

- (a) The Tennessee housing development agency shall develop best practice policies and guidelines concerning implementation of short- and long-term housing programs and other housing options to aid formerly incarcerated individuals with procurement of safe and affordable housing.
- (b) Policies and guidelines developed by the agency shall be available for use by local governments, local housing authorities, and community redevelopment agencies that offer, or seek to offer, housing programs, services, or assistance to formerly incarcerated individuals.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

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